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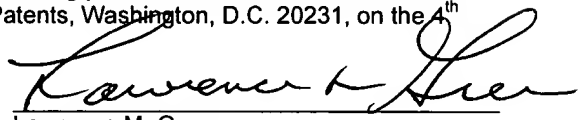
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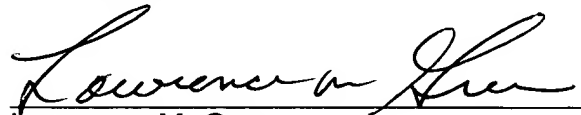
PETITION FOR 3 MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A 3 month extension of time, to and including December 26, 2001, is requested for response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of July 26, 2001.

The check enclosed includes the fee of \$920.00 for the extension. If the amount is insufficient, please charge our deposit account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

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